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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

THE LEGAL ADVISER

September 21, 1953

TO : The Secretary

THROUGH: S/S

FROM : Mr. Tate

SUBJECT: Exchange of instruments of ratification of the Treaty of Friendship, Commerce and Navigation with Japan.

Discussion:

The treaty of friendship, commerce and navigation between the United States and Japan, which was signed at Tokyo on April 2, 1953, provides that the exchange of instruments of ratification shall take place in Washington. Both Governments are now prepared to exchange instruments of ratification, the treaty having been ratified by both Governments with a reservation relating to the practice of professions.

For that purpose it is desired that, in accordance with accepted international practice, arrangements be made for the Secretary of State and the Japanese Ambassador to exchange the instruments and, on that occasion, to sign a Protocol of Exchange of Instruments of Ratification, in duplicate, constituting formal evidence of the exchange in accordance with the terms of the treaty.

It is planned to invite to the ceremony a few officers of the Department. A press release will be issued by the Department with respect to the exchange, and it is anticipated that photographers and representatives of the press will be present.

The Secretary need not make any statement other than to express his pleasure in effecting the exchange of documents.

The treaty establishes, within a traditional form, an effective basis for the development of business, trade, and other commercial relations and is regarded as a significant step in the strengthening of cordial relations between the United States and Japan. It will enter into force one month after the exchange of ratifications.

Recommendation:

That you authorize the making of the necessary arrangements for you and the Japanese Ambassador to effect the exchange of instruments of ratification on Wednesday, September 30, or as soon thereafter as your schedule permits.

Concurrences:

L/T - Mr. Bevans; NA - Mr. Fraleigh.

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